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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following Amendment of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2002/03-2007/08 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. <u>Description</u>

3 State, Local and Transit Elements

Modifies or adds various projects in various counties. The amendment includes projects with funding from the Surface Transportation Program (STP), Federal Demonstration Program, National Highway System (NHS), Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ) program and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5307, 5309a, 5309b, 5309c Programs and other federal funds.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration approve this FTIP Amendment for inclusion into California's 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP Amendment and are shown for information only.

The projects under this amendment have been found by SCAG to conform to air quality regulations. Therefore, this FTIP Amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis.

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. The SCAG prepared this FTIP Amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

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This approval includes the changes made by SCAG to project MPO ID: ORA48 to reflect the corrected funding split following the submittal of the original amendment No. 3.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Muhaned Aljabiry of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely,

JIM NICHOLAS

Chief

Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

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